# Information Retrieval WS 2017/2018

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## Exercise Sheet 10

Submit until Tuesday, January 16 at 12:00pm (noon)

#### Exercise 1 (5 points)

Let A be an  $m \times n$  matrix with rank r, and let  $A = U \cdot S \cdot V$  be the singular value decomposition, where U is an  $m \times r$  column-orthonormal matrix, S is a diagonal  $r \times r$  matrix, and V is an  $r \times n$  row-orthonormal matrix.

Prove that  $V = S^{-1} \cdot U^T \cdot A$ , that is, V can be easily computed from A, S, and U.

### Exercise 2 (10 points)

Let A be the following  $3 \times 5$  matrix (you can think of it as a term-document matrix, but that is not important for this exercise):

$$A = \left(\begin{array}{ccccc} 13 & 5 & 5 & 0 & 13 \\ 9 & 15 & 15 & 0 & 9 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 20 & 0 \end{array}\right)$$

Compute the singular value decomposition (SVD)  $A = U \cdot S \cdot V$  via the following steps. Like for ES9, you should carry out this computation using pencil and paper, without using a program (but it is ok to use a simple calculator, e.g., to compute  $388 \cdot 612 - 384^2 = 90.000$ ). Like for ES9, pay attention that you don't make yourself more work than necessary. Endless calculations are a clear sign that you are doing something wrong or too complicated.

- 1. Compute the symmetric  $3 \times 3$  matrix  $A \cdot A^T$ . (1 point)
- 2. Compute the Eigenvector decomposition (EVD) of  $A \cdot A^T$ . It is ok to guess the Eigenvectors from looking at  $A \cdot A^T$  (it is simple enough for this example matrix), but then of course you have to verify that they are indeed Eigenvectors. (4 points)
- 3. From this EVD, determine the U and the S of the SVD of A. Verify that U is indeed a  $3 \times 3$  column-orthonormal matrix. (2 points)
- 4. From A, U, and S compute the V of the SVD of A. Verify that V is indeed a  $3 \times 5$  row-orthonormal matrix. (2 points)
- 5. Verify that the product  $U \cdot S \cdot V$  is indeed A (1 point)

#### Exercise 3 (5 points)

Compute the optimal rank-2 approximation A' of A using your SVD from Exercise 2. (1 point)

Let q = (4, 1, 2) be a query vector. Compute the ranking of the 5 documents (columns) of A with respect to q in the original term-space and in the reduced 2-dimensional space. Compute the ranking in the reduced space using all three variants discussed in the lecture. (4 points)

Add your submission as a single PDF to a new sub-directory sheet-10 of your folder in the course SVN, and commit it. Like for ES9, you may upload a handwritten solution, but only if it is neatly written and properly scanned (sorry CS students). In all other cases, you should use LATEX (other typesetting programs are neither encouraged nor allowed). Also commit the usual experiences.txt with your brief and concise feedback. Confirm that linear algebra is one of the most beautiful things in the universe and imagine how your life would look like without Eigenvectors.